

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 February 23 2015 to 0600 February 24 2015



Coastal fog bank over the calm Pacific Ocean, Redwood National Park, California

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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)



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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – National

Palestinian groups face \$218m Israel attacks fine in US

(BBC News) A US court in New York has found the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian Authority liable for attacks in Israel over 10 years ago. Six attacks in and around Jerusalem killed 33 people and wounded hundreds more during the second Palestinian intifada between 2002 and 2004. The jury awarded victims of the attacks more than \$218m. The Palestinian groups expressed dismay at the court's decision and vowed they would appeal. As some of the victims were American citizens, the lawsuit was filed in a US court. After deliberating for a day, jurors ruled in favor of 10 American families who were seeking damages related to the six attacks. The Israeli government has denied any official involvement in the lawsuit.

Senate again blocks Homeland Security funding bill over GOP immigration amendments

(LA Times) Senate Democrats on Monday again stifled a GOP attempt to advance a Homeland Security funding bill that would undercut President Obama's immigration actions, leaving Congress' new GOP majorities in need of a new strategy ahead of a Friday deadline to avoid a department shutdown. The 47-46 vote Monday was the fourth failed attempt by Senate Republicans to open debate on a House-passed measure providing \$39.7 billion for Homeland Security operations on the condition that the new money not be spent to implement Obama's immigration actions -- both a new program to defer deportation for more than 5 million people living in the U.S. illegally and a 2012 program that deferred deportation for 600,000 so-called dreamers. Sixty votes were needed to cut off the Democratic filibuster.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – International

Islamic State 'abducts 90 Christians in Syria'

(BBC News) The UK-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported that at least 90 people were seized in a series of dawn raids near the town of Tal Tamr. The town is west of Hassakeh, a city mainly controlled by Kurdish forces. It comes as Syrian Kurdish fighters backed by US-led air strikes continue to advance into IS-held territory. On Monday, a Kurdish official said IS militants had been forced back to within 5km (3 miles) of the town of Tal Hamis by the Popular Protection Units (YPG). The Syrian Observatory confirmed the advance by the YPG and said at least 12 IS fighters had been killed on Monday. Hassakeh province is strategically important in the fight against IS because it borders both Turkey and areas controlled by the group in Iraq. Iraqi Kurdish Peshmerga forces are also attacking IS positions on the Iraqi side of the frontline, to the east.

Historic US-Iran nuclear deal could be taking shape

GENEVA (AP) - Edging toward a historic compromise, the U.S. and Iran reported progress Monday on a deal that would clamp down on Tehran's nuclear activities for at least 10 years but then slowly ease restrictions on programs that could be used to make atomic arms. Officials said there were still obstacles to overcome before a March 31 deadline, and any deal will face harsh opposition in both countries. It also would be sure to further strain already-tense U.S. relations with Israel, whose leaders oppose any agreement that doesn't end Iran's nuclear ambitions.

U.S., South Korea to start military drills amid tension with North

(Reuters) - South Korea and the United States will begin eight weeks of joint military drills starting March 2, military officials said on Tuesday, an annual exercise that typically provokes heightened rhetoric and military threats from North Korea. North Korea regularly protests the annual exercises, which it says are a rehearsal for war, and has recently stepped up its own air, sea and ground military exercises, amid a period of increased tensions between the rival Koreas. "The whole course of Key Resolve and Foal Eagle is aimed to occupy the DPRK through preemptive strikes," said an editorial in the ruling Workers' Party newspaper, the Rodong Sinmun, referring to the names for the exercises. DPRK is short for Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the North's official title. Tuesday's statement by the joint U.S.-South Korean Combined Forces Command said the North Korean army had been informed of the dates and "non-provocative nature" of the exercises. On Monday, North Korean leader Kim Jong Un told his Korean People's Army (KPA) commanders to focus on "combat readiness" this year, according to state media.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Train Derailment, Oxnard, Ventura County

- On 02/24/15 at 0620 hours the California State Warning Center received a report from Union Pacific Railroad advising that a Metrolink passenger train struck a vehicle on the track and two passenger cars derailed on their sides in Oxnard, Ventura County at SR 34 (5th St.) x at South Rice Ave.
- Per CHP, ENTAC, there are approximately 50 victims. There is a hard road closure in place at: SR 34 (5th St.) x at South Rice Ave. Oxnard PD to handle and CHP at scene assisting.
- Per the Regional Disaster Medical Health Specialist from Region I, via the Emergency Medical Services Authority Duty Officer: The Operational Area is able to manage, but ambulance resources have been advised that they may be needed.
- A Cal OES Emergency Services Coordinator from Southern Region is enroute with a 1 hour ETA.
- The Cal OES Law Duty Officer is enroute with a 2 hour ETA.
- Cal OES Duty Officers are monitoring the situation and will provide updates as they become available.

Weather of Concern

No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Northwest California can expect mostly clear skies with temperatures at or slightly above normal through the middle of the week. A storm system will bring showers and lowering snow levels Friday into Saturday.

Medford Weather:

An area of high pressure originating from the Arctic will continue to bring widespread cold temperatures to Southern Oregon and Northern California into this morning. Although temperatures will be only a few degrees below normal, the extended period of warmth which has preceded this pattern may make the difference a bit more evident.

Reno Weather:

After a cold start this morning, temperatures will begin to moderate and even return to above normal by Wednesday. A fast moving dry cold front will pass through the Sierra and northwest Nevada Wednesday night, with little impact to the region. A developing storm system in the northeast Pacific could bring precipitation to the region by the end of the week and start of the weekend.

San Francisco Weather:

Dry weather and mild temperatures will persist through midweek as high pressure remains off of the west coast. A storm system will then bring rain chances and cooler temperatures back to the region Friday into Saturday.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Dry and warmer weather mid-week, then a pattern change by the end of the week, bringing cooler and wetter weather Friday into the weekend. There is the potential for snow impacting travel in the mountains above 4000 feet.

Hanford Weather:

A dry northwesterly flow aloft will reside over central California through Thursday with seasonable temperatures. A storm originating in western Canada will track southward and bring a return of wet weather to the district Friday into the weekend.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

High pressure will bring a warming trend under mostly clear skies through Thursday. Cooler and cloudier on Friday. A weak low pressure system will bring clouds and a chance of rain to the area over the weekend..

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

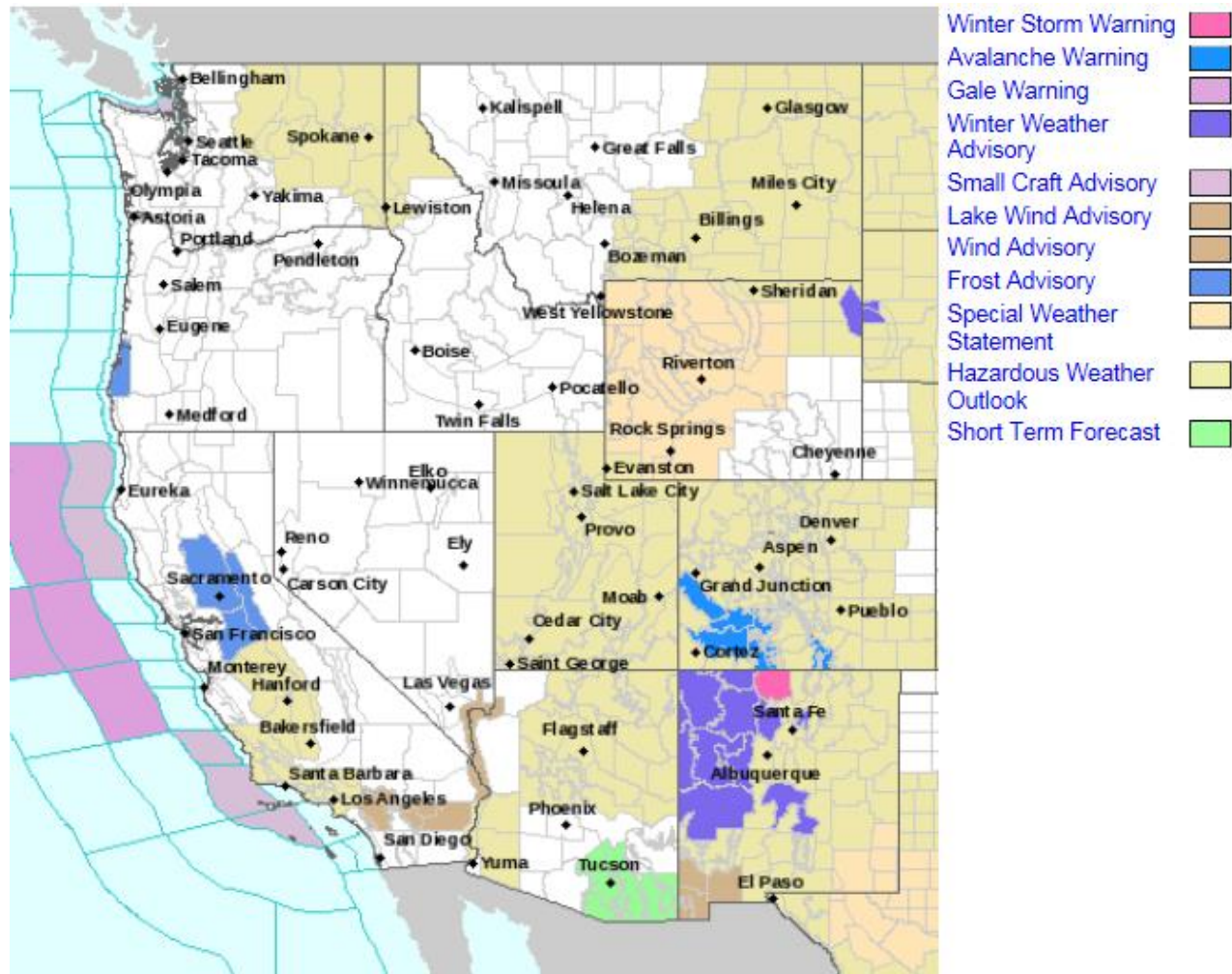
Dry and warmer today but with gusty north winds in parts of San Bernardino. Riverside and Orange counties. Warmer with lighter winds Wednesday and Thursday. Another storm will bring a chance of rain and mountain snow along with gusty west winds this weekend.

Southeast California Weather:

Another round of isolated to scattered showers will be possible across portions of south-central Arizona while strong northerly winds and drier air work into southeast California and Colorado River valley on the backside of the low. Dry weather with a subtle warming trend will take us through the rest of the work week. Another chance at precipitation and cooler temperatures is forecast for the coming weekend as another large pacific storm develops into the west.



STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Feb, 24th 2015 at 7:09:24 am MST



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Recovery Individual Assistance continues to work with Mono County on the Initial Damage Estimate.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.

Mission Tasking

- **2015-SREOC-8732** – Two small communities in southern Mono County, Paradise and Swall Meadows, experienced a serious wildfire beginning Friday February 6th. Approximately 40 residences were destroyed in the Round Fire. Residents have been allowed back into the area and need technical assistance in safely disposing of potentially toxic materials on their properties. DTSC has accepted this mission. **Mission Ongoing**

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning 02/09/15.

CAL OES MISSIONS

Cal OES New Mission

2015-LAW-8776, Locate and silence a ELT sounding near the Stockton Airport (SCQ) Ramps checks have been done, negative. This plots just south of the airport. Cal OES Law Enforcement branch coordinating resources. **Mission On-Going**



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.